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CURZON'S SPEECH MISREAD.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, April 25.
An authoritative announcement was made in London yesterday, expressing surprise at the readiness of Germany to interpret Lord Curzon's speech of April 20 as indicating the possibility of British mediation and declaring that Germany must approach France direct. This statement has acted, according to Berlin reports, as a douche in German political circles, who believed the speech meant early solution of the reparations problem.
Herr Cuno, the Chancellor, yesterday discussed with German industrial magnates the question whether they would guarantee any new offer to France.

FRENCH PLEADED.
PARIS, April 25.
The announcement made in London is welcomed as a salutary corrective to unfounded German optimism reports. The possibility of Germany making anything like an acceptable offer is regarded very sceptically. It is pointed out that France still insists as a preliminary to negotiations on the complete abandonment of passive resistance. This is indispensable to the opening of negotiations.
(Lord Curzon, in a speech on our foreign policy, said he had consistently advised Germany to make overtures expressing her intention to pay.
The Government was willing to discuss plans about security but these could not be carried out at the cost of dismembering Germany or setting a new running sore in the heart of Europe. Any guarantees should preferably be reciprocal.
He was hopeful that the time would shortly arise when British influence and authority might be usefully directed to bringing the main parties together.)

UNDER SEA CRAFT.

WORLD'S SUBMARINE FIGURES.

STRENGTHS COMPARED.

LONDON, April 25.
In the House of Commons, replying to Captain R. Berkeley (Conservative) with regard to the submarines launched since 1913 now commissioned or capable of being commissioned, Mr. L. Amery, First Lord of the Admiralty, gave the following figures:-
Fully commissioned:-
United States 76
France 41
Japan 43
Italy 43
Britain 52
Twelve of Britain's submarines are in reserve.
Capable of being commissioned:-
United States 26
Britain 7
The Remainder Nil.

SINGAPORE NAVAL BASE.
Replying to Mr. G. Lambert (Liberal), Mr. Amery stated that beyond £4,000 spent on the preliminary survey, no work had been commenced and no expenditure had been or would be incurred in respect of the Singapore naval base until the money had been voted by the Commons.

ABSOLUTE EMPIRE PREFERENCE.

SYDNEY COUNCIL'S POSITION.

SYDNEY, April 25.
The City Council's electricity committee has recommended rescission of the absolute Empire preference policy in favour of a 15 per cent. Empire preference.
[The Sydney City Council adopted a policy of absolute Empire preference. The Electricity Committee accordingly recommended the rejection of a Japanese tender of £687, for the supply of 2,500 disc strain insulators in favour of a Canadian tender of £1,562.]

RUBBER EXPORT LICENCES.

HOME PAPER SCENTS SCANDAL.

LONDON, April 25.
The Times in its "City Notes," referring to the excessive number of export licences granted to native planters under the rubber restriction scheme, owing to incomplete statistical information with regard to native-owned estates, and the consequent over estimate of standard production, presumes that immediate steps will be taken to tighten up the application of the scheme in this respect. The Times says the sale of surplus export licences seems open to question.

ANNUAL FREEMASON FESTIVAL.

HONOUR FOR DUKE OF YORK.

LONDON, April 25.
At the annual festival of the United Grand Lodge of England in the Freemasons' Hall, presided over by the Duke of Connaught, the Duke of York was appointed Senior Grand Warden in succession to the Prince of Wales. Lord Hewart was appointed Junior Grand Warden.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE.

LONDON, April 25.
Marked at noon 122.000 and 144.000.
French francs are 68.45.

INDIAN STRIKE OVER.

CALCUTTA, April 25.
The employees of the Nudda Mills have resumed work unconditionally.

BRITAIN INDIGNANT.

RUSSIA'S PROVOCATIVE ACTIONS.

STRONG PROTEST INTENDED.

LONDON, April 25.
In the House of Commons, replying to questions with regard to a series of acts by the Russian Government of which British subjects have been the victims, including the seizure of a Hull trawler by the Bolsheviks off the Murman Coast and the murder of a British subject in Petrograd in January of 1920, Mr. Ronald McNeill, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said the Government and country were profoundly indignant about these incidents (Cheers). The Government proposed without delay to address a serious communication to Russia.
Meanwhile the British representative at Moscow would not cease to exert his influence as strongly as possible in the case of the trawler where the action of the Soviet authorities was regarded by the Government as wholly unjustifiable.

Colonel J. C. Wedgwood (Labour) declared that the people of Britain were not anxious for a new war. (Labour cheers.)
Mr. McNeill said he was perfectly aware of that. That was why the Government had taken the attitude it had.

TURKISH CONCESSIONS.

CHESTER'S STATEMENTS DENIED.

BRITAIN'S FAIR ATTITUDE.

LONDON, April 25.
In the House of Commons, Viscount Curzon, drew attention to the speech made by Admiral Chester already cabled.

Mr. Ronald McNeill, under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said he was not aware there was any foundation in the statement that spheres of influence had thrown obstacles in Admiral Chester's way. There was no record of a British Ambassador giving any such assurance as Admiral Chester mentioned. Consequently there was no question of his being overruled. The government had not taken any action to interfere with American commercial enterprise.

Replying to Colonel J. C. Wedgwood (Labour), Mr. McNeill said he had not received any complaints that the concession conflicted with concessions previously granted to British subjects. The Government had no intention of initiating a discussion regarding the matter at Lausanne.

[Admiral Chester declared that "spheres of influence" had thrown every kind of obstacle in his way since he had been endeavouring to secure concessions in Turkey. He said that during the closing days of the War the Navy Department had urged him frantically to complete negotiations, as an oil shortage threatened all their fleets. The British Ambassador had assured him that Great Britain would not object, but the Ambassador had been overruled.]

BOXER INDEMNITY MONEY.

HOME COMMITTEE'S TASK.

LONDON, April 25.
In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. P. J. H. Hannon (Conservative), Mr. Ronald McNeill, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said a committee to consider the procedure in connection with the utilisation of the Boxer Indemnity money is about to be appointed. He was very doubtful regarding the desirability of utilising the indemnity funds in order to meet the default on Chinese unsecured debts, but he was prepared to refer that suggestion to the committee.

IRELAND'S TROUBLES OVER?

NOTABLE FREE STATE DECISION.

DUBLIN, April 25.
The Free State Government has significantly decided to allow suitable citizens in Dublin to possess firearms with necessary safeguards.
This is regarded as an interesting commentary in the advance towards normal conditions, implying Government belief that the period of widespread disorder has ended. Permission to carry arms will doubtless be extended throughout the country if the experiment in the city proves satisfactory.

MORE REBELS SHOT.

LONDON, April 25.
Three irregulars captured in a recent fight in the caves of Kerry have been executed at Tralee. They included an Englishman, deserter from the East Lancashire Regiment.

BRUSH WITH SENUSSI.

NATIVES' HEAVY CASUALTIES.

ROME, April 25.
In the fighting mentioned yesterday, the Senussi lost 600 killed and wounded, including the Chief Abdullah Sollum who was killed, and a commander who was seriously wounded.
[Three detachments of Italian troops occupied headquarters of the Chief of the Senussi at Agheharia on the morning of April 21, and put the enemy to flight. The Italian losses were four coloured soldiers killed, and 26 wounded. The action was decided upon as a result of the Chief of the Senussi at present in Egypt accepting the title of Emir of Tripoli and Cyrenaica from the rebels and becoming leader of the opposition to Italian authority.]



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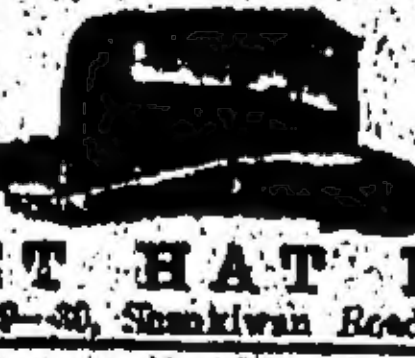
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Also
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Catalogues will be issued.
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Hongkong, April 24, 1923.

ON
FRIDAY, April 27, 1923,
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at their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street,
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(Full particulars from catalogue)
On view from Thursday the 26th
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Hongkong, April 24, 1923.

ON
MONDAY, April 30, 1923,
at 12 o'clock (noon),
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The Wreck of the
s.s. "Noblemen Maru"
as she now lies stranded in Lon 110°
42' 50" E Lat 20° 10' 30" N together
with whatever cargo of coal as may be
on the vessel at the time.
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when vessel, &c. will be at the pur-
chaser's risk.
LAMMERT BROS.,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, April 2, 1923.

THE Undersigned have received in-
structions from E. HOWARD, Esq.,
to sell by Public Auction, on
MONDAY, April 30, 1923,
commencing at 2.45 p.m.
at his residence No. 20 Chamberlain
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A Large Quantity of
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round table, teak screen, glass silver
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ments, water colours, pictures, engrav-
ings, marble clock, etc., etc.
Teak and iron single bedsteads,
teak single and double wardrobes with
glass doors, dressing table, wash stand
with marble top, chest of drawers, glass
ware, dinner sets, E. P. cutlery, lace
curtains, ceiling lights, electric fans,
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One piano by F. Dörner & Son
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And
Several enamel baths and porcelain
baths
And
A Quantity of Plants and ferns in
pots
On View from Sunday the 29th
April, 1923
Catalogues will be issued.
Terms:—Cash on delivery.
LAMMERT BROS.,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, April 20, 1923.

The sale of Mint Machinery
has been postponed until a date
to be notified later.

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An appeal is being made from
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Matthew Flinders memorial ex-
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scriptions to complete the fund to
erect a statue in the city of the
famous navigator, who was the first
sailor to circumnavigate Australia,
and who gave its name to the con-
tinent. The total sum needed is
£2,000, of which £1,450 is in hand,
and pending the receipt of the full
amount, the committee has pro-
visionally accepted the design of
Mr. Web Gilbert. The Melbourne
City Council, which has granted
£300 to the fund, will be asked to
choose a site.

W. K. Vanderbilt's Fortune.

The estate of the late Mr. William
K. Vanderbilt has been appraised
at the value of \$5,430,966 (about
£11,600,000). The sons, W. K.
Vanderbilt and Harold S. Vander-
bilt, inherit the bulk of the fortune.
It is revealed that the dead
millionaire settled \$5,000,000 upon
the Duke of Marlborough when he
married Miss Consuelo Vanderbilt,
but only half was paid over; the
remainder is listed among the
debts of the estate. Shortly before
his death Mr. Vanderbilt gave his
daughter Consuelo, formerly
Duchess of Marlborough,
\$15,000,000. The State has been
considering suing the former
duchess for tax on this amount but
is now reported that the idea has
been dropped. To the Metropolitan
Museum of Art, New York, Mr.
Vanderbilt left paintings to the
estimated value of \$200,000, includ-
ing works by Rembrandt, Gains-
borough, Reynolds, Holbein,
Boucher, and Greuze. The value
of his racehorses in France is placed
at over \$100,000.

High Prices for Books.

The sum of 25,000 has just been
paid for a copy of M. Anatole
France's book, "Le Roturier de
la Roine Pedagogue," published in
1911. This book, which formed
part of M. Freund-Schamps's
library, now being dispersed by
auction, is in two folio volumes,
illustrated by Auguste Leroux. It
is one of two copies, printed on
Whatman paper, and contains
twenty-five original water-colours
by Leroux, and a double set of
artists' proofs. The price is a re-
cord for a modern book in Paris.
A copy of Mr. Rudyard Kipling's
Jungle Book, which had been
provisionally valued at 5,000f,
fetched 9,350f. This volume which
was published in Paris only three
years ago, is original as well as a
series of artists' proofs. A copy of
Theophile Gautier's "Morte
Amoureuse," published here in
1904 and containing original
water-colour drawings by P. A.
Laurens, was sold for 5,000f.

Seeing by Wireless.

Edouard Belin, the inventor of
telephotography and the trans-
mission of hand writing by
wireless, believes that before long
it will be possible to transmit
direct vision by wireless—that is to
enable people to gaze on a scene
many miles away without the
scene being first photographed.
For tele-vision, he says, that it is
not only necessary that the whole
of the object of the scene should
be visible at one time, but that the
image should be transmitted at the
highest possible speed. He thinks
he can achieve his object by the
aid of photo electric bulbs, which
are so sensitive that they react
even to so faint a light as that of a
distant star. The systems of
wireless reception have been so
perfected that he believes the
employment of these bulbs to
record impressions picked up at
great distances will make tele-
vision practicable. This method,
however, would not be sufficiently
perfect to transmit moving
pictures, as it is not expected to
attain a higher speed in transmis-
sion than one second.—Daily
Telegraph.

A Crocodile's Menu.

At the meeting of the Zoological
Society, Mr. C. F. M. Swayne, the
game warden of Tanganyika
Territory, exhibited the contents
of the stomach of a large East
African crocodile which was re-
cently shot. The exhibition was
of a decidedly gruesome nature as
it revealed the fact that this
crocodile was a man-eater. Apart
from antelope hoofs, tortoise shells,
and porcupine quills, when opened
it was found to contain: a large
number of metal bangles, such as
are worn as bracelets and anklets
by the native women, beads, and
a long strand of metal cord. The
strand of cord solved the mystery
of the disappearance of a native
boy, who was known to frequent
the neighbourhood of the riverbank
in order to collect wood, the cord
being similar to the type he used
for tying his bundles together.
Two small pieces of elephant tusk
were also found. In this crocodile,
but no explanation was offered as
to how they came into the reptile's
possession. If the full facts were
known they would no doubt bring
to light another human tragedy.

Burglar's Dream Realized.

A piece of clever detective work,
combined with a very clumsy
error on the part of the burglar,
who had taken most elaborate pre-
cautions in every other respect, has
led to the arrest of three men on a
charge of stealing £20,000 from a

SHADOWS BEFORE.**Coming Events Advertised
In The Mail.****ENTERTAINMENT.**

April 26.—Coronet Theatre:
Douglas Fairbanks in "The Man
Who Sailed the World."
April 26.—World Theatre:
The Great Fight for the Middle-
weight Championship of Europe
Ted (Kid) Lewis v. Roland Todd;
also Wanda Hawley in "Her
Sturdy Oak."
April 26.—Star Theatre; H. B.
Warner in "Uncharted Channels."
April 27.—Coronet Theatre:
House Peters in "Human Hears."
May 7.—Concert at Government
House in aid of welfare work 9.15
p.m.

SPORTING EVENTS.

April 26.—H.K.C.C. T.T. Handi-
cap Doubles, final.
April 27.—H.K.C.C. T.T. Mixed
Doubles, final.
April 28.—H.K.C.C. T.T. T.
Challenge Round Open Champion-
ship Doubles.
April 30.—Final Organ Recital
at St. John's Cathedral, by Mr.
Denman Fuller, 6 p.m.
May 5.—Second Gymkhana at
Happy Valley.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

April 27.—Lammert Bros., at
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a quantity of valuable household
furniture, at 2.30 p.m.
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their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street,
a valuable collection of postage
stamps, at 5.15 p.m.
April 30.—Lammert Bros., at
their Sales Room, the wreck of the
s.s. "Nichiren Maru," at noon.
April 30.—Lammert Bros., at No.
20, Chamberlain Road, Peak, valu-
able household furniture belonging to
Mr. E. Howard, at 2.45 p.m.
May 3.—Lammert Bros., valuable
household property known as 13,
Macdonnell Road at Auctioneers'
Office, 3 p.m.

COMPANY MEETINGS.

April 28.—Ordinary yearly
meeting of shareholders of the
Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd., at the
Hongkong Hotel, Pedder Street,
at 11.30 a.m., and the twenty-eighth
ordinary general meeting of share-
holders of the Shanghai Hotel Ltd.,
at same place, at noon.
April 30.—First general meeting
of the Hongkong Hide and Leather
Co., Ltd. at 67-69, Des Voeux Road,
Central, at 12.15 p.m.
May 2.—General meeting of
debenture holders in the Hong-
kong Central Estate, Ltd. at Messrs.
Jardine Matheson & Co.'s offices, at
11.30 a.m.
May 3.—Extraordinary general
meeting of the Hongkong Central
Estate Ltd., at the offices of Messrs.
Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd.,
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May 3.—Extraordinary general
meeting of the Hongkong Land
Investment and Agency Company
Limited at the offices of Messrs.
Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd.,
Pedder Street, at 11.30 a.m.
May 5.—First annual ordinary
general meeting of Lane, Crawford,
Ltd. at the Hongkong Hotel at
noon.
May 10.—Forty-second ordinary
general meeting of the Canton In-
surance Office, Ltd. at Messrs.
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Boy Chess Prodigy.

Paris has discovered a new chess
prodigy in the person of Aristide
Grommer, a French boy of 13, who
has played twenty adult experts
simultaneously and only lost one
game. Four other games were
drawn, but fifteen experienced
players were compelled to admit
that in chess this child was the
master. There is nothing of the
prodigy about Grommer's manners
or appearance. He is a modest
and unspoiled boy and when at
the close of the tourney he was
congratulated on his victories he
remarked rather shyly that he knew
several boys who were much more
clever than himself. Grommer's
adversaries included an English
lady, who is a formidable chess
opponent, a diplomat, and a grey-
haired colonel, but all their skill
and experience were insufficient to
make the little boy in the sailor
suit even hesitate before replying
to their moves. Pausing before each
board in turn, he seemed to take in
the position at a glance, and moved
with such promptness and decision
that his average time for the
tour of twenty moves was only
one and a half minutes.
Unfurnished and certain of him-
self he never hesitated more
than twenty seconds for a reply to
an opponent's move. Play lasted for
three hours and a half, and at the
end Grommer's only successful op-
ponent admitted that he had had a
very narrow escape. Grommer has
played chess since early childhood,
and perhaps owes some of his skill
to heredity, for he is a nephew of
the author of "The Grammar of
Chess," a classic among chess
works. Although he does not pre-
tend to equal the 9-year-old boy
Samuel Reschewski, who is a
worthy opponent for any of the
modern masters, Grommer is hailed
as a brilliant discovery.

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In The Mail.****ENTERTAINMENT.**

April 26.—Coronet Theatre:
Douglas Fairbanks in "The Man
Who Sailed the World."
April 26.—World Theatre:
The Great Fight for the Middle-
weight Championship of Europe
Ted (Kid) Lewis v. Roland Todd;
also Wanda Hawley in "Her
Sturdy Oak."
April 26.—Star Theatre; H. B.
Warner in "Uncharted Channels."
April 27.—Coronet Theatre:
House Peters in "Human Hears."
May 7.—Concert at Government
House in aid of welfare work 9.15
p.m.

SPORTING EVENTS.

April 26.—H.K.C.C. T.T. Handi-
cap Doubles, final.
April 27.—H.K.C.C. T.T. Mixed
Doubles, final.
April 28.—H.K.C.C. T.T. T.
Challenge Round Open Champion-
ship Doubles.
April 30.—Final Organ Recital
at St. John's Cathedral, by Mr.
Denman Fuller, 6 p.m.
May 5.—Second Gymkhana at
Happy Valley.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

April 27.—Lammert Bros., at
their Duddell Street Sales Rooms,
a quantity of valuable household
furniture, at 2.30 p.m.
April 27.—Lammert Bros., at
their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street,
a valuable collection of postage
stamps, at 5.15 p.m.
April 30.—Lammert Bros., at
their Sales Room, the wreck of the
s.s. "Nichiren Maru," at noon.
April 30.—Lammert Bros., at No.
20, Chamberlain Road, Peak, valu-
able household furniture belonging to
Mr. E. Howard, at 2.45 p.m.
May 3.—Lammert Bros., valuable
household property known as 13,
Macdonnell Road at Auctioneers'
Office, 3 p.m.

COMPANY MEETINGS.

April 28.—Ordinary yearly
meeting of shareholders of the
Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd., at the
Hongkong Hotel, Pedder Street,
at 11.30 a.m., and the twenty-eighth
ordinary general meeting of share-
holders of the Shanghai Hotel Ltd.,
at same place, at noon.
April 30.—First general meeting
of the Hongkong Hide and Leather
Co., Ltd. at 67-69, Des Voeux Road,
Central, at 12.15 p.m.
May 2.—General meeting of
debenture holders in the Hong-
kong Central Estate, Ltd. at Messrs.
Jardine Matheson & Co.'s offices, at
11.30 a.m.
May 3.—Extraordinary general
meeting of the Hongkong Central
Estate Ltd., at the offices of Messrs.
Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd.,
Pedder Street, at noon.
May 3.—Extraordinary general
meeting of the Hongkong Land
Investment and Agency Company
Limited at the offices of Messrs.
Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd.,
Pedder Street, at 11.30 a.m.
May 5.—First annual ordinary
general meeting of Lane, Crawford,
Ltd. at the Hongkong Hotel at
noon.
May 10.—Forty-second ordinary
general meeting of the Canton In-
surance Office, Ltd. at Messrs.
Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd., at
noon.

Boy Chess Prodigy.

Paris has discovered a new chess
prodigy in the person of Aristide
Grommer, a French boy of 13, who
has played twenty adult experts
simultaneously and only lost one
game. Four other games were
drawn, but fifteen experienced
players were compelled to admit
that in chess this child was the
master. There is nothing of the
prodigy about Grommer's manners
or appearance. He is a modest
and unspoiled boy and when at
the close of the tourney he was
congratulated on his victories he
remarked rather shyly that he knew
several boys who were much more
clever than himself. Grommer's
adversaries included an English
lady, who is a formidable chess
opponent, a diplomat, and a grey-
haired colonel, but all their skill
and experience were insufficient to
make the little boy in the sailor
suit even hesitate before replying
to their moves. Pausing before each
board in turn, he seemed to take in
the position at a glance, and moved
with such promptness and decision
that his average time for the
tour of twenty moves was only
one and a half minutes.
Unfurnished and certain of him-
self he never hesitated more
than twenty seconds for a reply to
an opponent's move. Play lasted for
three hours and a half, and at the
end Grommer's only successful op-
ponent admitted that he had had a
very narrow escape. Grommer has
played chess since early childhood,
and perhaps owes some of his skill
to heredity, for he is a nephew of
the author of "The Grammar of
Chess," a classic among chess
works. Although he does not pre-
tend to equal the 9-year-old boy
Samuel Reschewski, who is a
worthy opponent for any of the
modern masters, Grommer is hailed
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a GENERAL MEETING of the Debenture Holders of the above named Company constituted by Trust Deed dated the 30th day of May 1914 and registered in the Land Office by Memorial No. 53358 and made between the said Company of the one part and The Honourable Mr. David Landale and Newton John Stubb (now Sir Newton John Stubb Kt.) as Trustees of the other part supplemented by an Indenture of Assignment made between the same parties and dated the 1st day of November 1916 and registered in the Land Office by Memorial No. 61189 (both of which are hereinafter included in the expression "the said Debenture Trust Deed") will be held at the office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Polyler Street, Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong on WEDNESDAY the 2nd day of May 1923 at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing an Extraordinary Resolution or Extraordinary Resolutions assenting to certain proposed modifications of the rights of the Debenture Holders against the Company and authorising the Trustees to execute or concur in the execution of all such Agreements, Assignments, Deeds or other documents as they may deem or be advised to be expedient for carrying out such proposed modifications and for safe guarding the interests of the Debenture Holders.

This Notice is issued pursuant to the provisions contained in the Third Schedule to the Debenture Trust Deed.

Dated this 20th day of April 1923.

By Order of the Board,
L. S. GREENHILL,
Secretary to the General Managers.

LANE, CRAWFORD, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIRST ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, on SATURDAY, 5th May, at Noon.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from 25th April, 1923 to 5th May 1923, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
S. J. JORDAN,
Secretary,
Hongkong, April 23, 1923.

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE SECOND GYMKHANA MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley, on SATURDAY, May 5th, commencing 3.15 p.m.

The Charge for admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half price.

Members are advised that they must show their Badges to obtain admission to the Members' Enclosure.

Each member has the right of introducing 2 non-members to the members' enclosure, tickets for whom can be obtained from Messrs. Lindest & Davis at \$5 each up to FRIDAY 4th May.

The Stewards invite the Ladies of Hongkong to be present.

Hongkong, April 24, 1923.

THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-SECOND ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on THURSDAY, the 10th May, 1923, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1922.

The SHARE REGISTER AND TRANSFER BOOKS will be closed from the 26th instant to the 10th May, 1923, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
General Agents,
Hongkong, May 19, 1923.

NOTICE.

TENDERS are invited for the Catering Service on the Local Trains of the Kowloon Canton Railway (British Section) and for the Refreshment Rooms at Kowloon, commencing from the 16th May.

Only first class catering firms need apply, as efficiency and reliability are of greater consideration than rent.

Particulars may be obtained on application to
THE MANAGER,
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British Section,
Hongkong,
Kowloon, April 25, 1923.

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7.00 a.m.	7.10 a.m.	Every 15 Minutes.
7.30 " 10.00 "	7.40 " 11.00 "	" 10 "
11.00 " 12.30 p.m.	11.10 " 12.40 p.m.	" 10 "
12.40 " Non stop.	12.47 " Stopping.	
12.57 " Non stop.	1.04 " Stopping.	
1.13 " Non stop.	1.20 " Stopping.	
1.30 p.m. to 2.30 p.m.	Every 10 Minutes.	
2.30 " 2.50 "	" 10 "	
3.20 " 7.00 "	" 10 "	
7.20 p.m. Non stop.	7.27 " Stopping.	
7.37 " Non stop.	7.44 " Stopping.	
7.54 " Non stop.	8.01 " Stopping.	
8.10 " Non stop.	8.17 " Stopping.	

NIGHT CARS.		
8.50 p.m.	9.00 p.m.	Every 30 Minutes.
9.20 " 11.00 "	9.30 " 11.45 "	" 15 "

SATURDAYS.		
Extra Car 12.00 Midnight		

SUNDAYS.		
7.00 a.m.	7.10 a.m.	Every 15 Minutes.
7.30 " 11.00 "	7.40 " 11.10 "	" 10 "
11.15 " 12.00 Noon "	11.25 " 12.10 Noon "	" 10 "
12.15 Noon to 1.00 p.m.	12.25 " 1.00 p.m.	" 10 "
1.00 p.m. to 2.30 p.m.	1.10 " 2.40 p.m.	" 10 "
2.30 " 5.30 "	2.40 " 5.40 "	" 10 "
5.30 " 7.10 "	5.40 " 7.20 "	" 10 "
7.30 p.m. Non stop.	7.37 " Stopping.	
7.47 " Non stop.	7.54 " Stopping.	
8.04 " Non stop.	8.11 " Stopping.	
8.21 " Non stop.	8.28 " Stopping.	

SPECIAL CARS.		
By Arrangement at the Company's Office		
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AT 6 P.M.		

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MAIL WEEK NEWS.

ITEMS FROM FAR AND NEAR.

News is to be broadcast by wireless in Australia for the benefit of ships.

Lord Cavan, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, is shortly to visit the Polish Army, says Reuter.

Sheffield Teachers' Operatic Society have appointed as their musical director Miss Eva Rich, soprano, and conductor of a ladies' choir.

A man who was arrested at Brantley, Kent, for throwing chocolates at people has been sent to a mental observation ward of the local infirmary. He has not yet been identified.

At Bristol, James Waterman, 48, was fined £10 for applying a German name for sale purposes to a British piano, and the Bench described the use of German names as very reprehensible.

Weymouth licensing justices refused 106 applications to extend till 10.30 p.m. in the summer season the hours during which drink can be sold.

"He wears stars and stripes on his socks," said a plaintiff in Marylebone County Court when asked why he said the defendant had means.

German lines have agreed to reduce first class fares from the Continent to England to Capetown from £62 10s. to £50, and second class from £47 to £37 10s.

The Duke of Devonshire was elected High Steward of Cambridge University, an office formerly regarded as a stepping-stone to the Chancellorship.

The manuscript of "Home Sweet Home" by John Howard Payne and Sir Henry Bishop, was sold for £340 during the dispersal of the libraries of Mrs. Luther S. Livingstone, of Cambridge, Massachusetts, and the late Commodore E. C. Benedict, of Greenwich, Connecticut.

In the international football match between England and Wales at Cardiff the result was a draw—two goals each.

The suggestion of the British Government that Jersey should pay £125,000 annually towards the cost of Imperial services was turned down by a meeting of the island inhabitants, who, however, approved of a voluntary contribution being made.

It is proposed to alter the name of the former S.E. and C. Railway station at Dorking from Boxhill to Deepdene to avoid confusion with the old L.B. and S.C. Boxhill Station. Both are now on the new Southern Railway group system. Dorking Urban Council have approved the alteration.

Lieut.-Commander Hart Dyke, who was arrested by Austrian frontier officials when he went to the assistance of an Englishwoman, Mrs. Bradford Griffith, whom the officials were bullying, has been released. He receives no apology and forfeits his bail of two million crowns (about £3).

MARKET PRODUCE IN HONGKONG.

APPROXIMATE RETAIL PRICES.

Butcher Meat.

	April 19, 1923.	June 1918.	June 1914.
Beef Sirloin.—Met Long Pa.	28	24	18
" Prime Cut.	28	24	18
" Corned.—Ham Ngau Yau.	23	20	15
" Roast.—Shin.	28	24	18
" Breast.—Ngau Nam.	24	20	15
" Soup.—Tong Yuk.	24	20	15
" Steak.—Ngau Yau Pa.	28	24	18
" Steak Sirloin.—Ngau Lau.	34	30	25
" Sausages.—Ngau Cheung.	20	16	12
Bellows' Ears.—Ngau No per set 14	10	8	6
Tongue, fresh.—Ngau Li each 80	60	50	40
Tongue, corned.—Ham Ngau Li each 60	60	50	40
Head.—Ngau Tau.	1.00	1.00	1.00
" Heart.—Ngau Sam.	15	12	10
" Hump.—Ngau Kin.	24	20	15
" Feet.—Ngau Kerk.	15	10	8
" Kidneys.—Ngau Yit.	15	10	8
"—Ngau Mol.	24	20	15
" Liver.—Ngau Koo.	15	12	10
" Tripe (undressed).—Ngau To lb. 6	6	5	4
Calves' Head and Feet.—Ngau Tsai-tau-keuk.	1.20	1.00	1.00
Mutton Chop.—Yung Fok Kwai lb. 36	28	25	20
" Leg.—Yung Fok.	36	32	28
" Shoulder.—Yung Shau.	34	30	26
" Saddle.—Yung On Yau.	36	32	28
Pigs' Chitterlings.—Chia Chong.	36	32	28
" Brains.—Chia No.	32	28	24
" Feet.—Chia Kerk.	15	12	10
" Fry.—Chia Chap.	40	36	32
" Head.—Chia Tau.	18	16	14
" Heart.—Chia Sam.	10	8	6
" Kidneys.—Chia Yit.	10	8	6
" Liver.—Chia Koo.	40	36	32
" Pork Chop.—Chia Fok Kwai.	30	28	24
" Leg.—Chia Fok.	30	28	24
" Loin.—Chia Han Tau.	18	16	14
" Fat or Lard.—Chia Yau.	12	10	8
Sheep's Head and Feet.—Yung.	60	50	40
" Tail.—Yung.	6	5	4
" Heart.—Yung Sam.	10	8	6
" Kidneys.—Yung Yit.	15	12	10
" Liver.—Yung Koo.	25	22	18
" Sucking Figs, to order.—Chia Tsai.	25	22	18
Suet, Best.—Shang Young Yau.	20	18	16
" Matcon.—Shang Young Yau.	24	20	16
Veal.—Ngau Tai Yau.	20	18	16
Sausages.—Ngau Cheung.	20	18	16

Fish.

Barbel.—Ka Yu.	24	19	14
Bream.—Pia Yu.	20	16	12
Canton Fresh Water Fish.—			
Hol Sin Yu.	24	19	14
Carp.—Li Yu.	38	32	28
Catfish.—Chik Yu.	30	25	20
Codfish.—Man Yu.	30	25	20
Croaker.—Hal.	48	42	36
Cuttle Fish.—Mak Yu.	24	19	14
Dab.—Sha Hang Yu.	32	27	22
Duck.—Wong Mak Lap.	18	16	14
Dog Fish.—Tsi To Sha.	10	8	6
Eel, Common.—Hid Man.	24	19	14
" Fresh water.—Tun Shit Yu.	24	19	14
" Yellow.—Wong Shu.	35	30	25
Frog.—Tsi Koi.	58	52	46
Gardner.—Shak Pan.	46	40	34
Gudgeon.—Pak Kap Yu.	18	16	14
Herring.—Tso Pak.	24	20	16
Halibut.—Chung Kwan Kap.	16	14	12
Labrus.—Wong Fa Yu.	28	24	20
Loach.—Wu Yu.	70	62	54
Lochee.—Lung Yu.	40	36	32
Macaroni.—Chik Yu.	38	32	28
Maifish.—Hong Yu.	38	32	28
Mullet.—Pai Yu.	38	32	28
Oysters.—Shang Ho.	24	20	16
Parrot Fish.—Kai Hong Yu.	24	20	16
Perch.—Tui Lo.	18	16	14
Pike.—Fai Fung.	18	16	14
Pomfret.—Fai Yu.	40	36	32
Pomfret, Black.—Hak Chung.	45	40	36
Pomfret, White.—Pak Chung.	50	45	40
Reynolds.—Ming Yu.	38	32	28
Ray.—Pai Fa Sha.	10	8	6
Rock Fish.—Shak Kan Kung.	16	14	12
Roach.—Chun Yu.	38	32	28
Salmon.—Ma Yu.	38	32	28
Shark.—Sha Yu.	10	8	6
Shrimp.—Po Yu.	10	8	6
Shrimp.—Ma.	40	36	32
Skipper.—Tui Yu.	38	32	28
Sole.—Tui Yu.	16	14	12
Tench.—Wan Yu.	38	32	28
Turbot.—Tui Yu.	28	24	20
Turtle, small.—Shak Yu.	80	70	60

Poultry.

	April 19, 1923.	June 1918.	June 1914.
Chickens.—Kai.	55	50	45
Capon, Small.—Shi Kai.	50	45	40
Capon, Large.—Shi Kai.	55	50	45
Duck.—Ap.	32	28	24
Doves.—Fan Kau.	35	30	26
Eggs, Hen.—Kai Tau (cooking) per doz.	38	35	32
Eggs, Hen.—Kai Tau (fresh) per doz.	30	28	26
Eggs, Hen.—Kai Tau (small) per doz.	30	28	26
Fowls, Canton.—Kai.	60	55	50
Fowls, Hainan.—Hoi Nam Kai.	60	55	50
Geese.—Nga.	38	34	30
Pigeons, Canton.—Pak Kap.	60	55	50
" Hainan.—Hoi Nam Pak Kap.	35	30	26
Turkeys, Cook.—Fo Kai Kung lb.	60	55	50
Turkeys, Hen.—Fo Kai Na.	55	50	45
Salp.—Sha Tau.	32	28	24
Pheasant.—Shan Kai.	—	—	—
Quail.—Om Oun.	—	—	—
Partridge.—Che Ku.	—	—	—

Fruits.

Almonds.—Hang Yau.	45	40	35
Apples, (California).—Kam Shan.	24	20	16
" Pung No.	24	20	16
Bananas, (India).—Mason.	7	6	5
" Hainan.	7	6	5
Chambola.—Yung To.	12	10	8
Cocoanuts.—Ye Tau.	10	8	6
Lemons, China.—Ling Mung.	12	10	8
Lemons, (America).—Kam Shan.	7	6	5
Ling Mung.	7	6	5
Alchees, Dried, (small stone).	32	28	24
Oranges, (Canton).—Sweet.	14	12	10
Shan-shang Tim Chang lb.	15	14	12
Oranges, Tim Chang.	24	20	16
Pork, (Canton).—Cooking.—Sha li.	10	8	6
Pomegranates.—Fa Shang.	12	10	8
Pumpkins, Large.—Hung Tau.	12	10	8
Plantain.—Tat Chiu.	4	3	2
Pineapple, Stam.—Yin Lo Yau.	12	10	8
Walnuts.—Hop To.	15	14	12
Grapes.—Po Tai/Tai.	15	14	12

Vegetables, &c.

Artichokes.—Ah Chi Cheuk	6	5	4
Beans, Sprout.—Kia Tau	6	5	4
" Long.—Yau Koo	6	5	4
Beet Root.—Hong Tui Tan	5	4	3
Bitter Squash.—Fa Kwa	5	4	3
Brinjals, Green.—Ching Yau Kwa	6	5	4
" Red.—Hun Kwa	6	5	4
Cabbage Chinese, (common).			
Kai Tau	5	4	3
(Shanghai)—Yo Tui	10	12	10
Cane Shoots, bunch.—Kau Shun	10	12	10
Cauliflower (Large)—Yo Tui Fa each	20		
(Medium)	15		
(Small)	12		
Carrots.—Lam Shun	6	5	4
Celery Chinese.—Yung Kau Tai	6	10	8
Chillies, dried.—Kon Lat Chiu	20	25	20
" Red.—Hung Fa Chiu	30	16	
" Green.—Ching Lai Chiu	16	8	15
Curry Stuff, English.—Ka Lai Our Lins	10	10	10
Cucumbers.—Ching Kwa	each 3	3	
Garlic.—Sun Tau	10	8	3
Ginger young.—Sun Tau Kwong	7	7	
Ginger, old.—Lo Kung	8	10	
Horseradish, Shanghai.—Lai Han	20	45	
Indian Corn.—Shuk Mai	each 6	6	
Lettuces.—Yung Shing Tai	10	5	1
Water Chestnuts.—Ma Tai	10	8	
" Mandarin.—Kwai			
Lam Mei Tai	10		
Mushrooms, French.—Shang Tau Kuei			
Okraes.—Fai Sun	10	10	8
Onions, Bombay.—Yung Chung Tai	10	8	
Onions, Green.—Shang Chung Tai	6	6	
Onions, Shanghai.—Sheng Tai			
Chung Tai	8	8	
Parsley.—Kau Tai	20	20	
Peas, French.—Fai Sun	4	5	
" Japanese.—Yat Sun Sun Tai	10	3	
" American.—Fa Chi Shu Tai	7	8	
Pumpkins.—Tung Kwa	10	4	3
Radish.—Hung Lo Tai Tai	4	5	
Rhubarb (French).—Tat Wong	4		
Sisaloot.—Kong Chong Tai	4	6	
Sprachok.—Tui Tai	6	4	
Tomatoes.—Fai Ka	7	7	
Trees.—Wai Tai	5	5	
Turnips, French (Round).—Lo Kwa	6	6	
Vegetable Marrow.—Tat Kwa	5	4	
Water Cress.—Yat Yung Tai	6	10	
" Lily root.—Hui Ngau	3	6	
Yams.—To Shu	4		

CHINA'S OUTLOOK.

NOT SO BLACK AS PAINTED.

PRESIDENT TAKES TO RECTOR.

PEKING, April 26. Li Yuan-hung, interviewed by *Reuter*, said that although there might appear to be financial chaos in Peking and political and military strife throughout the country, appearances were often deceptive. The Chinese people as a whole would continue to work and produce. "If wealth is labour as the economists tell us, China is surely wealthy."

He emphasised the necessity for preserving a proper perspective in judging China and doubted whether militarism in China, though deplorable would produce bigger trouble than the present militarism in Europe. Regarding financial difficulties and unpaid debts the President declared there were other so-called civilised countries in a far worse condition. Concluding, he said he was certainly not pessimistic regarding China's future. China would recover and prosper. It would take some time and in the meanwhile China would need all the forbearance and goodwill the foreigner could show.

His hope was based on the good sense and sanity of the people. There were many signs of a growing public consciousness of the need for unity and peace, and a growing detestation of militarism. Li Yuan-hung said he believed militarism would be broken if Parliament passed a new constitution which made no provision for military governors, etc., thus effecting the disarmament of about two million soldiers. He expected the constitution would be passed in three or four months.—*Reuter*.

PEKING POLITICS.

NO CONFIDENCE VOTE DROPPED.

PEKING, April 26. The House of Representatives today sat in camera to discuss the legality of the no confidence vote. Finally a resolution was carried by 229 votes to 95 rejecting the no confidence vote and sending it back to the Senate as illegal.—*Reuter*.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

NEW JAPAN DIOCESES CREATED.

TOKYO, April 26. The Episcopal Church Synod of eight English and American bishops in session at Tokyo decided to create new dioceses in Tokyo and Osaka, turning over entire ecclesiastical control to two Japanese bishops.—*Reuter*.

HOME FOOTBALL.

ENGLISH LEAGUE RESULTS.

LONDON, April 26. Cardiff defeated Notts Forest by three goals to one and the match between Chelsea and West Bromwich Albion ended in a draw of two goals each.—*Reuter*.

CHEN CHIUNG-MING.

REPORTED HONGKONG CONFERENCE.

PEKING, April 25. It is reported that Chen Chiung-ming recently held a conference with Hsu Chao-shin and others at Hongkong, when he decided that he could not co-operate with Shen Hung-ying, who was untrustworthy, but he would mobilise forces for the defence of the districts of Waichow and Chaochow and to check the entry of Hsu Chung-chih into Kwangtung, while another force would march from Waichow to Canton.—*Courtesy Daily Bulletin*.

RUSSIAN REFUGEES.

ARRANGING FOR REPATRIATION.

SHANGHAI, April 25. M. Davtian, acting Soviet representative to China during the illness of M. Joffe, has arrived at Shanghai on a mission to arrange for the repatriation of the Russian refugees who are willing to return to Soviet Russia.

M. Elledor, the representative of the Russian Volunteer Fleet at Shanghai, has been appointed to supervise the arrangements here.—*Courtesy Daily Bulletin*.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

Cargo arrived by the ss "Dacia" not cleared by to-day will be subject to rent. Agents—Messrs D.D. & Co., Ltd.

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HOME HOUSING BILL.

GOVERNMENT MEASURE CARRIED.

LABOUR MOTION DEFEATED.

(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail*.)

LONDON, April 25.

In the House of Commons, after a debate characterised by numerous interruptions, the Labour motion for the rejection of the housing bill was defeated 340 votes to 140, the largest majority the Government has had. The result was greeted with loud and continued Ministerial cheers.

The bill was read a second time.

HOME RACING.

CITY AND SUBURBAN MEET.

DRY TOAST'S WIN.

The City and Suburban meeting resulted as follows:—

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[Last year Paragon won this meet. There was no race the year before owing to the coal strike.]

HOME LOCK OUT THREAT.

SHIPYARD POSITION IMPROVES.

LONDON, April 25.

The prospect of averting the shipyard lockout is more favourable as a result of the decision of the conference of the Federation of Shipbuilding Trades, which strongly recommended the three unions concerned to accept the position.

The Shipbuilding Employers' Federation notified a lockout for April 30 against members of the boiler makers, iron, steel, shipbuilders, woodworkers and plumbers' unions unless the unions previously intimate that they were prepared to accept the national overtime and night shift agreement concluded on March 22 between the Employers' Federation and the Federation of Engineering and Shipbuilding trades. The latter Federation called a special meeting in London to-morrow to consider the position. About 30,000 men are directly affected.

LAUSANNE CONFERENCE.

TURKS AND THE RUSSIANS.

LAUSANNE, April 25. At a meeting of the first commission, Ismet Pasha, Turkey's chief delegate, declared that if it was intended to modify the clauses relative to the Straits the Russians should be invited to send a representative.

The Allies replied that there was no intention of reopening the question, but the Russians had been informed that their presence was desirable should they modify their attitude.

RUSSIA'S ATTITUDE.

LAUSANNE, April 26. Ismet's reference to Russia and the Straits has received considerable attention. It is regarded as indicating that Russia intends modifying her attitude and becoming a signatory to the treaty. The return of the Russians to Lausanne is consequently regarded as likely.

LAUSANNE, April 25. The economic committee discussing the economic clauses of the treaty has upheld the provision for mixed arbitral tribunals, though the Turks desired to substitute ordinary courts of law.

INDIA'S OPIUM SALES.

QUESTION IN COMMONS.

LONDON, April 25. In the House of Commons, answering questions, Lord Winterston, Under Secretary for India, stated that the number of chests of opium sold in the Calcutta auctions for the years ending March 31, 1921, 1922, and 1923 respectively, were 1,550, 935 and 2,890. He would enquire from the Government of India with regard to the places, to which the opium was exported.

INTERIM P. & O. DIVIDEND.

LONDON, April 25. The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s interim dividend has been declared at the rate of 12 per cent. per annum on deferred shares tax free, for the six months ended March 31.

PARIS STRIKE.

PARIS, April 25. The dress makers' federation has decided to terminate the lockout. (The milliners employed by the Rue de la Paix dress-makers were locked out after going on strike for a 40 per cent. increase of wages.)

A BRONZE AGE MAN.

STRANGE DISCOVERY IN THE NORTH.

A grave has been discovered on the farm of Mr. D. Milne of Mains of Catterline, Kincardineshire, and is said to belong to the period 2,000-1,500 B.C. The discovery was made by Mr. James Scott, Catterline, who was digging for sand to make cement. It was found that there were three lairs of stone, under which was a cist containing the skeleton of a fully-developed man and an urn of pottery. The urn was taken out of the tomb, and the National Museum of Antiquaries, Edinburgh, was acquainted of the discovery.

Dr. Low, of Aberdeen University, inspected the grave, and stated that in his opinion the skeleton was that of a man belonging to the early Bronze Age, that the remains might be 3,500 years old. The skeleton is that of a big-boned person with a broad skull similar to those found in other cists discovered in Aberdeenshire. Pending word from Edinburgh as to whether a Museum official will visit Catterline, the remains are to be left untouched. It is thought possible that in the grave may be found flints, charcoal, and perhaps some ornaments.

Mr. Ludovic M.L. Mann states that some very important archaeological discoveries were made recently almost within the boundaries of Glasgow. Owing to fear of disturbance by visitors the find was kept secret. No fewer than twelve different burials, all within a small area of ground, were disclosed, some protected by tombs built of massive stone slabs. Each grave had its highly ornate pottery vase decorated by geometrical incised lines, and at times with work in relief. The pottery, some of which it is thought belongs to the late Stone or Neolithic Age, about 2,000 to 2,500 years before Christ, ranges in period down through the different sections of the Bronze Age until the termination of that age about 700 years before Christ.

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BURMAH OIL STRIKE.

SETTLEMENT NOW REACHED.

(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail*.)

RANGOON, April 25.

Agreement has been reached whereby the strikers on the Yenang Yaug oilfield will resume work to-morrow on the terms offered by the companies.

[The expected settlement of the strike in which 10,000 workers were involved, demanding a large increase in wages, was deferred, owing to the alleged victimisation of a hundred members of the labour union.]

CRICKET PLAYER ILL.

LONDON, April 25.

Mr. P. F. Warner has undergone a severe abdominal operation. It has been very successful. [Mr. Warner, a barrister by profession, is the noted cricket player.]

TO SECRETARIES OF CLUBS AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS.

ALL preliminary notices of forthcoming meetings, lectures and entertainments, sent for insertion in the news columns of the *China Mail*, are charged for at the rate of \$1 each (as announced in May and June of last year) providing that they do not occupy more than four lines. In future if this space is exceeded they will be placed in the advertising columns, at the prevailing rates.

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obtained.

No claims will be admitted after
the goods have left the Godowns,
and all goods remaining undelivered
after 28th April, 1923, will be
subject to rent.

All Claims must reach us by
2nd May, 1923, or they will
not be recognised.

All damaged packages will be
examined by Messrs. Goddard and
Douglas (Marine Surveyors) at 10
a.m. 27th April, 1923.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.
Bills of Lading will be counter-
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Hongkong, April 23, 1923.

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having arrived, Consignees of cargo by
her are informed that all goods are being
landed at their risk into the hazardous
and/or extra hazardous Godowns of
Holt's Wharf, whence delivery may be
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No claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all
Goods remaining undelivered after
30th April, 1923, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the Steamer must
be presented to the Underwriter on or
before 7th May, 1923, or they
will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed and damaged
Goods are to be left in the Godowns,
where they will be examined on any
Tuesdays and Fridays between the
hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon, within
the free storage period of one week.
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Hongkong, April 24, 1923.

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NOTICE TO SHIPPERS AND PASSENGERS.

VESSELS DUE

FROM NORTH CHINA.

Apr. 16.—J.O.J.L. Tientsin.

FROM YAW.

May 7.—J.O.J.L. Tientsin.

FROM CALCUTTA.

May 7.—N.Y.E. Yawmutsu Maru.

8.—N.Y.E. Osaka Maru.

FROM BOMBAY.

Apr. 27.—N.Y.E. Sado Maru.

May 4.—N.Y.E. Kanakura Maru.

FROM MANILA.

Apr. 29.—U.S.S.B. West Farallon.

May 15.—U.S.S.B. Muna.

FROM SINGAPORE.

Apr. 29.—U.S.S.B. West Farallon.

May 15.—U.S.S.B. Muna.

FROM SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

May 7.—E. & A. Eastern.

11.—E. & A. Changsha.

June 11.—E. & A. Arad.

FROM NEW YORK.

May 2.—T. I. O. Narboro.

16.—T. I. O. Ethan Allen.

FROM VANCOUVER.

May 6.—C.F.S. Empress of Asia.

17.—B. F. Achilles.

June 7.—B. F. Tallyho.

July 8.—B. F. Tyndarus.

19.—B. F. Proteolus.

Aug. 23.—B. F. Achilles.

Sept. 3.—B. F. Proteolus.

FROM PORTLAND.

May 10.—U.S.B. Pavia.

FROM SEATTLE.

May 17.—B. F. Achilles.

July 5.—B. F. Tyndarus.

23.—B. F. Proteolus.

Aug. 23.—B. F. Achilles.

Sept. 3.—B. F. Proteolus.

FROM LOS ANGELES.

Apr. 27.—U.S.B. Pike.

May 15.—U.S.B. West Chopak.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO.

Apr. 27.—U.S.B. Pike.

May 15.—U.S.B. West Chopak.

FROM EUROPEAN PORTS.

Apr. 28.—N. L. Werra.

May 5.—J.O.J.L. Odet.

June 5.—J.O.J.L. Odet.

July 3.—J.O.J.L. Zosma.

FROM LONDON.

May 5.—P. & O. Novara.

6.—P. & O. Glompp.

7.—P. & O. Sardinia.

15.—P. & O. Soudan.

19.—P. & O. Sardinia.

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are renewed whole and every

corner of the vessel is thoroughly

cleaned, and she is painted inside

and out. But when on being

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found in the rudder as to neces-

sitate replacement, opportunity is

taken to do many things more than

those included in the annual over-

haul. And that is just what has

taken place in the case of the

"Aquitania." In that week, a party

of Press representatives was

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done to this liner of world-wide

reputation. The fracture referred

to is the first serious trouble

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BOWLS.

KOWLOON CLUB'S ANNUAL MEETING.

ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL YEAR.

The annual meeting of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club was held last evening. Mr. D. Keith, who presided, explained the financial situation of the Club, pointing out that the honorarium paid to the Hon. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer had been \$200 each against a vote of \$250.

On the motion of Mr. B. Wylie, seconded by Mr. Barr, the adoption of the report and accounts was carried.

The Chairman then briefly reviewed the Club's activities during the past year. As far as bowling was concerned the Club had had a most successful season. The entries had been good and the different competitions had been played off in good time. For the second time, the Club had won the League. The members had only to stick together to win it again, though the Club team would be weakened by Kowloon Dock entering a team of their own this year.

The question of the extension of the Club House, was still unsettled as the Government had given no definite reply. Their reserve fund, however was increasing, and directly Government gave a decision they would be prepared to act. The Chairman paid a tribute to the members of the Grounds Committee and to Mr. W. Russell, for the excellent condition of the greens, which, he said, were second to none in the Colony.

It was decided on the motion of Mr. W. Russell, seconded by Mr. Crawford that an honorarium of \$200 each be paid to the Hon. Treasurer and Hon. Secretary for the current year.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.
The election of office bearers for the coming year was then proceeded with.

On the motion of Mr. Crawford, seconded by Mr. Nicoll, Mr. L. Guy was nominated for President. At first Mr. Guy refused the honour on the ground that he did not see eye to eye with other members in regard to the League. In his opinion the League monopolised most of the games. He wished them to be reduced from 14 games to 7.

On being further pressed, Mr. Guy accepted stating: "Well, Gentlemen, you now know my view, if you agree I will only be too pleased to accept."

Mr. Keith then thanked the members for their co-operation during the past year, and vacated the chair in favour of the newly-elected President.

Mr. Donihorne was elected Vice-President. Mr. J. B. Hamilton was elected Hon. Secretary; Mr. R. Lapsley was unanimously chosen as Hon. Treasurer on the proposal of Mr. L. Guy, seconded by Mr. D. Gov.

After a ballot, the following were nominated to the General Committee: Messrs. W. Russell, D. Gov., A. R. Whitley, P. T. Farrell, D. Harvey, G. Duncan and J. H. Barr.

Mr. George Duncan was unanimously elected Captain of the Golf Section on the proposal of Mr. J. M. Jack.

The following were chosen as Balloting Committee: Messrs. S. Gray, J. O. McLaggan, A. M. Simpson, C. Bond, W. McFarlane and A. Gourlay. Mr. Guy then mentioned that during the year an inter-club team was expected, from Shanghai and in consequence they would incur a heavy expenditure, which must be anticipated in the coming budget.

In recognition of past services to the Club, Mr. C. Boyd proposed that at least one member should be chosen each year. He mentioned the names of Mr. D. Gov and Mr. Lapsley. The former, he said, was one of the founders of the Club. On Mr. Boyd's proposition, seconded by Mr. Neilson, Mr. Gov was elected a life member amidst applause. In thanking the members for the honour, Mr. Gov said that the Club had been founded in 1900, when he was at home on leave. On his return he helped the Club, which was started on the old tennis courts at Knutsford Terrace. He had done his best to help the Club

ORGAN RECITAL.

MR. DENMAN FULLER'S LAST.

After being Cathedral Organist for seventeen years, Mr. Denman Fuller will give his final recital on Monday next at 6 p.m. when he is playing a specially interesting programme. Amongst the items will be Wesley's fine Choral Song "Fugue, Widor's 'Toccata' and an especially fine work by Arthur Barclay, which deserves to be much better known than it is.

The recital will conclude with Mr. Denman Fuller's "Recessional" a portion of which was originally written for orchestra and was used in the A.D.C.'s production of "Scenes from Shakespeare" on St. George's Day in 1917. The collection will be in aid of the Cathedral Organ Fund, a fund for which incidentally Mr. Denman Fuller has raised over \$20,000 by various means during the time he has been here.

LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVALS.

Benary, (Gibb Liv.) from London, Singapore.—Kowloon Wharf.
Hosang, (J. M. & Co.) from Calcutta, Singapore.—Kowloon Wharf.

Pr. Jefferson (Ad. Line.) from Manila.—Kowloon Wharf.
Ginzan Maru, (Kin Tye Lung) from Bangkok.—West Point.
Dux, (Lee Bing Kee) from Bangkok.—West Point.
Sunzi (Po On) from Fort Bayard, Macao.—C43.

Shansi, (B. & S.) from Amoy.—Taikoo Dock.
Hanyang, (B. & S.) from Swatow.—Taikoo Dock.
Newchwang, (B. & S.) from Canton.—C14.

Kwelin, (B. & S.) from Canton.—C16.

Tsuru Maru, (Nanyo Y.K.) from Canton.—Off Stonecutter.
Yei Jun Maru, (M.B.K.) from Dairen.—Wanchai.
Hopsang, (J. M. & Co.) from Canton.—C37.

Loksang, (J. M. & Co.) from Shanghai, Swatow.—Co's Wharf.

Aizawa Maru, (Suzuki & Co.) from Canton.—Wan Chai.
Sunning, (B. & S.) from Canton.—B13.

DEPARTURES.

Prominent, (Fok Tai Cheong) for Saigon.—April 26.

Kaiping, (Sing Kee) for Haiphong, Pakhoi.—April 26.

Sosho Maru, (O.S.K.) for Takao, Swatow.—April 26.

Tsuru Maru, (N.Y.K.) for Hongay.—April 26.

Hydrangea, (Chin On) for Swatow.—April 26.

Newchwang, (B. & S.) for Saigon.—April 26.

VanOverstraten, (J.C.L.) for Deli, Singapore.—April 26.

Cheong Shing, (J.M. & Co.) for Tientsin, Wei-hai-wei.—April 26.

Mogami Maru, (Sato & Co.) for Canton.—April 26.

Kifunzan Maru, (Suzuki & Co.) for Hongay.—April 26.

Aizawa Maru, (Suzuki & Co.) for Keelung.—April 26.

and would continue to do so as long as he remained in the Colony.
The Chairman made an appeal for trophies for the coming year, and many were promised by those present.
A vote of thanks to the outgoing President and Committee brought the proceedings to a close.
ANNUAL REPORT.
The annual report stated:—The profit made in the working of the Club is \$1,090.41. This is due to the loyal support given to the Club in general by the members.
Twenty-eight new members joined the Club, making our total of ordinary and seagoing members, 196, and 1 life member. The annual competitions drew large entries. They were keenly contested and completed in good time. The Club won the Hongkong Lawn Tennis League. The Committee regret to record the death of two of our old and esteemed members since our last annual general meeting, namely: Messrs. J. D. Logan and J. J. Parkes, also a retired member, Mr. H. T. Richardson, passed away at home during the year.

CORRESPONDENCE.

RECONSTRUCTION AND THE RENTS ORDINANCE.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."]

Sir,—In a recent letter which I sent to the Press, I promised to deal in a further letter with amendments which are required in the "reconstruction" provisions of the Rents Ordinance, and I now do so. The "reconstruction" provisions are comprised in Section 4 (1) (f) of the Rents Ordinance, 1922, which authorizes the turning out of a tenant only if:

"the lessor bona fide requires possession of the domestic tenement in order to pull down such domestic tenement, or in order to reconstruct such domestic tenement to such an extent as to make such domestic tenement a new building within the meaning of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, Ordinance No. 1 of 1903, and shall have given the tenant three months' notice to quit, stating in writing whether he intends to pull down or to reconstruct such domestic tenement, and in the latter case stating the exact nature of the reconstruction intended: Provided that if the lessor fails to begin the work of pulling down or reconstruction within one month after the lessee shall have given up to the lessor possession of the domestic tenement, or shall fail to carry out the said work with reasonable expedition, the lessor shall, unless the contrary be proved, be deemed for the purpose of Section 20 to have, in giving such notice, done an act mala fide with intent to induce the lessee to give up possession."

The above clause requires to be amended in the following particulars:

(1) The words "in order to pull down such domestic tenement or" in lines 2 and 3 should be deleted and also the words "to pull down or" in line 10, and the words "pulling down or" in lines 14 and 15.

The above words should be deleted because:

(1) They are unnecessary, as there cannot be any genuine pulling down except with a view to a reconstruction; and in particular

(2) Because they lend themselves to evasion, i.e., the giving of a simple notice by the landlord that he "intends to pull down" such domestic tenement, without saying anything more.

(3) The next amendment required in the clause is the insertion after the words "reconstruction intended" of the following words, namely:

"and shall, prior to the giving of any such notice have obtained from the Building Authority his certificate, (a copy of which shall be attached to such notice) to the effect that such intended reconstruction would have the effect of making such domestic tenement a new building within the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903 and also a certificate in writing from the Assessor (a copy of which certificate shall be attached to such notice) to the effect that such reconstruction is in the opinion of the Assessor desirable."

The reasons for the first part of this last suggested amendment is to prevent a tenant, who is less able to afford legal advice as to when a building is a new building within Ordinance 1 of 1903 than the landlord, from being bluffed out of the premises by the landlord.

The reason for the last part of the suggested amendment is that it seems desirable that the Assessor, who has the best means from the returns made to him of judging whether a considerable turning out of tenants is desirable or not and of whether other premises are available for such tenants to move into.

Another obvious argument against reconstruction (unless it is absolutely imperative) is that it employs skilled workmen who might otherwise be better employed in erecting new buildings on fresh sites.

In connection with this amendment generally it has been pointed out to me that landlords are unscrupulous in getting out tenants by either:

(1) sham pretences at reconstruction,

(2) Reconstructions of buildings which are in good condition, but which he pays the landlord nevertheless to carry out in order to:

(a) free himself from the rent restrictions of the Rents Ordinance,

(b) enable him to get rid of the tenants and to house wealthy newcomers from the neighbouring provinces.

(3) The next amendment required is to make it a criminal offence (with a similar penalty, namely, 1,000 dollars) to that in section 20 of the Rents Ordinance, for a landlord to give to a tenant a notice to quit for the purpose of reconstruction which does not in all respects comply with section 4 (1) (f) of the Rents Ordinance, as amended above. As I pointed out in my previous

SCHOOLBOY ATHLETES.

INTER-SCHOOL SPORTS.

In spite of the wretched weather conditions yesterday, the annual Inter-School Sports of the Colony, were held on the race-course at Happy Valley in the afternoon.

Queen's College, St. Stephen's College and the Diocesan Boys' School all entered teams. The championship shield, presented by H.E. the Governor (Sir Reginald Stubbs), was won by St. Paul's College with 45 points out of a possible 81. Sir Reginald was present during the contests and, at the conclusion, distributed the prizes.

Mr. J. Ralston, in a short speech, remarked that this was the second year they had held the inter-school sports under the new conditions, whereby no individual could win a prize unless his College won the Championship Shield. The result was that each competitor strove rather for the corporate body to which he belonged than for himself. The speaker thanked the donors of prizes and congratulated St. Paul's on their victory.

H.E. the Governor expressed the pleasure it gave him to see such a large attendance, despite the wretched weather, which had unfortunately prevented any fast times being clocked. He said he had missed the name of St. Joseph's College from the list of competitors and signified his intention of speaking to Brother Aimar about it. After congratulating St. Paul's College on winning the shield, His Excellency distributed the prizes.

The officials of the day were as follows:—

Starters: Mr. J. C. Fletcher and Mr. F. A. Britton.

Judges: Mr. A. H. Crook, Mr. W. L. Handyside, the Rev. Mr. H. S. Bailey, the Rev. Mr. E. K. Quick, and Mr. J. E. Warner.

Clerks of the course: Mr. G. E. S. Upsell, Mr. S. S. Leung, Mr. C. E. Thomas.

Timekeeper: Mr. J. W. Reeve.

Scorers: Mr. D. Trafford, and Mr. T. S. W. Chan.

Honorary Secretary and Treasurer: Mr. J. Ralston.

The results were:—
100 Yards Race:—1, Chan Kwong Yu, St. Paul's; 2, Mok Tai Cheuk, Queen's College; 3, Peter Young, St. Stephen's College.

220 Yards Race:—1, Lam Yuk Yung, St. Paul's; 2, Mok Tai Cheuk, Queen's College; 3, Wong To Lau, Queen's College.

Long Jump:—1, Chan Kwong Yu, St. Paul's, distance, 17 feet 4 inches; 2, Ki Yam Tak, Diocesan Boys' School; 3, Soo Wei Fook, St. Paul's School.

Quarter Mile Race for the Ellis Kadoorie Cup:—1, Lau Cui Fook, St. Paul's College; 2, Lau Kau, St. Paul's College; 3, Hsu Hau Yeh, St. Stephen's College.

High Jump:—1, Wong Shau Shek, St. Paul's College, height 5 feet 3 inches.

Half Mile Race for the Canton Nanyang Brothers' Cup:—1, Ip Ki Yung, Queen's College; 2, Ling Sai Wu, St. Stephen's College; 3, Lau Mo Tsing, Queen's College.

Hurdles Race:—1, Lam Yuk Yung, St. Paul's College; 2, Mok Tai Cheuk, St. Paul's College.

Old Boys' Race:—A. Rumjahn, Queen's College.

Senior Team Race:—1, St. Paul's College; 2, Queen's College; 3, St. Stephen's College.

Junior Team Race:—1, Wanchai; 2, Queen's College.

COMMERCIAL.

NAM PAK HONG QUOTATIONS.

This morning's Nam Pak Hong quotations were as follows:—

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No. 1 Siam Long White..... \$ 7.00
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(All above are per picul of 133 1/2 lbs.)

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"Dayton".....\$2.89
"Sperry's x x x"..... 3.67
"C. & C."..... 2.90
"White Rose"..... 2.86
"White Greens"..... 2.95
"Tai Kut"..... 2.92
(Per sack of 50 lbs.)

Quotations basis spot goods with usual guild discounts and additions.

letter to the press other attempts by the landlord to evade section 4 of the Ordinance ought also to be made a criminal offence, and I would add now that it seems only fair that a landlord should be penalized for any irregular attempt to bluff a tenant out of possession.

(iv) Another amendment required in the reconstruction provisions is a clause to compel the landlord to take back his former tenants in the reconstructed premises, at a rent to be settled by agreement between the parties, or failing such agreement by the Assessor, whose award shall be final and conclusive.—Yours faithfully,

H. E. POLLOCK,
Prince's Bldg., April 25, 1928.

CANTON MASONS.

ANNUAL CLUB MEETING.

The fourteenth annual meeting of the Canton Masonic Club was held on Saturday last in the Masonic Hall, Shamene.

Wor. Bro. Bell Smith the outgoing president occupied the chair.

The election of office bearers resulted as follows:—

President, Wor. Bro. J. W. Banbury; Vice-President, Wor. Bro. S. Bell-Smith; and Wor. Bro. C. H. Reid; Trustees, Bros. J. McFarlane, H. R. Burge and W. F. Cary; Hon. Treas. Bro. A. Unquhart; Librarian, Wor. Bro. S. Bell-Smith; Working Committee, Bros. L. G. Frost, J. A. Jamesen, J. Jeppeson; Hon. Secy, Bro. A. Martin.

Before the meeting closed a hearty vote of thanks was accorded Bro. A. Martin for the indefatigable manner in which he had carried out the arduous duties of Hon. Secretary.

The members and visitors then adjourned to the library to partake of a sumptuous spread.

After the toast of H. M. the King, the chairman, Wor. Bro. Banbury in the course of his speech referred to the very great loss they had sustained through the death of one of last year's vice-presidents, Bro. Boile Christiansen, a friend and one whose loss it would be hard to replace.

Wor. Bro. Banbury then made reference to the departure of many old members, some who had retired, while others had been transferred to other parts in China. He made special mention of Bro. R. J. Chard, for many years an active member serving on both the general and sub-committees. Bro. Chard, who has been transferred to Harbin, before his departure from Canton was the recipient of many beautiful gifts from his fellow colleagues and also the Chinese staff of the Customs examination shed.

The toast of the visitors was proposed by Bro. Unquhart, and supported by the chairman, and coupled with the names of Bros. Neely and Bailey of the U. S. Navy. A musical programme was then enjoyed.

MURDER TRIAL ENDS.

DEATH SENTENCE FOR PRISONER.

The case in which Wu Kwong-chuen, was arraigned on charges of murder and "robbery by two or more," was concluded yesterday afternoon in the Supreme Court before His Honour, Sir William Rees-Davies, Chief Justice. The jury without leaving the box, found the prisoner guilty of murder. In addressing the prisoner before passing sentence of death, the Chief Justice said:

"Wu Kwong Chuen, the jury have arrived at the only possible verdict and in spite of the very able defence by your Counsel, they have found you guilty of murder. You admitted that you and Lam Chuen went to the house for the purpose of committing a robbery. You admit that you terrified the two unfortunate women, and that you gave Lam Chuen, according to your own evidence, a loaded revolver to take upstairs to the room with him. You admit that you saw him tie the women down in order that you might rob them, therefore it is quite immaterial whether you or Lam Chuen fired the shot. Whether it is a fact that you or he did it is a matter which I am not called upon to decide. It is a very bad case and I can see no mitigating circumstances in your favour."

The prisoner was defended by Mr. Campbell Prosser.



THE UNTOUCHED MEAL.

Many people starve although they have ample food on the table; they simply cannot eat. Loss of appetite is a sign of the trouble that sooner or later reveals itself as Indigestion or Nervous Dyspepsia, with low spirits and many other distressing symptoms.

Beware of loss of appetite. Long continued exhaustion is bound to produce serious debility. The secret of keeping well is to keep up the quality of your blood; for this there is no better medicine than Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. By enriching the blood, these pills supply strength to the feeble digestive organs, and enable them to digest the food eaten. Sufferers from Indigestion and Nervous Dyspepsia will do well to take

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CHURCH SET ON FIRE.

THIEVES DRINK COMMUNION WINE.

Thieves set fire to St. Jude's Church, Dulwich-road, Herne Hill, S.E., and much damage was done.

The Rev. F. R. Dickinson, the vicar, said to a Daily Mail reporter: "The fire was discovered by the vanguard when he went to open the church for a lantern service which was to have been held at 6.30. He ran to the vicarage and the fire brigade was summoned. Sheets of flame were issuing from the chancel vestry, in which the fire started, and it extended to the clergy vestry, which was completely destroyed."

The incendiaries got into the church by breaking a small window. Before setting fire to the church they broke open a cupboard in the vestry and stole the contents of a collection-box. A full bottle of wine used for Communion was also drunk. Altar cloths and church garments were cut in pieces and scattered about the floor.

The service was cancelled.

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TO-DAY'S ROYAL WEDDING.

THE HAPPY PAIR.



Duke of York Lady Elizabeth Bowes-Lyon

WEDDING PLANS.

GIFTS TO BRIDE.

ANCIENT LUXOR NECKLACE.

Recent mails have brought particulars of the arrangements made for the marriage of the Duke of York and Lady Elizabeth Bowes-Lyon in Westminster Abbey to-day.

Lady Elizabeth was to be given away by her father, Lord Strathmore, and the Prince of Wales was to act as one of the two supporters to the Duke of York. Contrary to general expectation the bride's maids were to be five only in number.

Lady Katherine Hamilton, youngest daughter of the Duke and Duchess of Abercorn.

The Hon. Diamond Hardinge, only daughter of Lord Hardinge of Penshurst.

The Hon. Cecilia Lyon, niece of the bride, and daughter of Lord Glamis, the heir to the Strathmore earldom.

The Hon. Elizabeth Elphinstone, daughter of Lord and Lady Elphinstone, and niece of the bride, and (probably).

Lady May Cambridge, daughter of Earl of Athlone.

FASHION MODELS.

The interior of the Abbey was to be decorated with foliage and white flowers. No stands were to be erected except that for the Royal Family. No grand reception was to take place either before or after the ceremony; the only function was to be a quiet and informal wedding breakfast at the bride's home in Bruton-street, attended by members of both families. The final choice of the dresses to be worn at the wedding by Lady Elizabeth and the five bridesmaids had yet to be made.

THE HONEYMOON.

The first half of the honeymoon, it is further learned, will be spent quietly in England at a country

house lent by a friend. Later, the happy pair will definitely go abroad. White Lodge, Richmond, their future home, was recently inspected and found to be in excellent condition. The nucleus of the furniture has already been given by Queen Mary from her collection of antiques. This includes two handsome chests of drawers, a writing desk and several Chippendale chairs. A beautiful writing bureau has also been presented by Queen Alexandra. The bride's house, No. 17, Bruton-street, is already full of early wedding presents. The grand dining-room in especial contains a glittering array of gifts. One of the most interesting presents which, however, has not yet arrived, is said to be an ancient Egyptian necklace sent by the excavating party under Lord Carnarvon, found in the tomb of Tut-ankh-amun at Luxor.

THE PRESENTS.

The presents that have already arrived include—

A Louis Quinze armchair with a gold frame, and decorated with the famous gold brocade of the period—Florence Lady Garvagh. A crystal bowl—Lady Moston. Four antique Italian bowls—Viscount Goschen. Two coloured glass vases—Countess Dundonald. A spars bronze and silver Japanese cherry-tree with jewelled-centred jade blossoms—Lady Vivian Smith. A toilet service of red Bohemian glass—Earl and Countess Stanhope. An antique tea-set—Lady Egerton. A copy of the complete works of Pepys—Sir Felix and Lady Cassel. Service of cut-glass—Sir George and Lady Murray. An ornamental silver bird—Mrs. George Bentinck. Two blue porcelain parrots—Lady Airlie.

Lord Strathmore is presenting his daughter with a costly jewelled head-piece, while among her mother's presents is a diamond and sapphire bracelet.

Lady Elizabeth has already selected several of her hats and every-day dresses for use after the marriage. These are all cut in simple straight line. Blue will be found to be the predominant colour in all.

BRIDE AS BRIDESMAID.



Photographed in the bridesmaid's dress she wore at Princess Mary's wedding.

HISTORIC MEMORIES.

GLAMIS CASTLE AND THE LYONS.

Glamis Castle, which has been the chief seat of the Earls of Strathmore for many centuries, is considered to be one of the finest examples of the Scottish baronial style of architecture. It is situated in Forfarshire, near the left bank of Dean Water, and the older parts of the building are said to date as far back as the tenth or eleventh century, although, at various periods, it has undergone important reconstruction and addition. It has figured largely in Scottish history, and there are few edifices of the kind round which so much of the glamour of tradition lingers. The room is still shown in which, according to one story, Malcolm II. died in 1033. Another account gives credence to the tradition that this ancient Scottish king was treacherously slain and certain obelisks in the vicinity seem to lend support to this, but in any case the association of Malcolm's name with Glamis bears undoubted testimony to the antiquity of the castle.

Weird stories cling to the haunted rooms of the castle. Sir Walter Scott in one of his books relates that it contained a curious monument of the feudal times, a secret chamber, the entrance of which by the law and custom of the family must only be known to three persons, the Earl

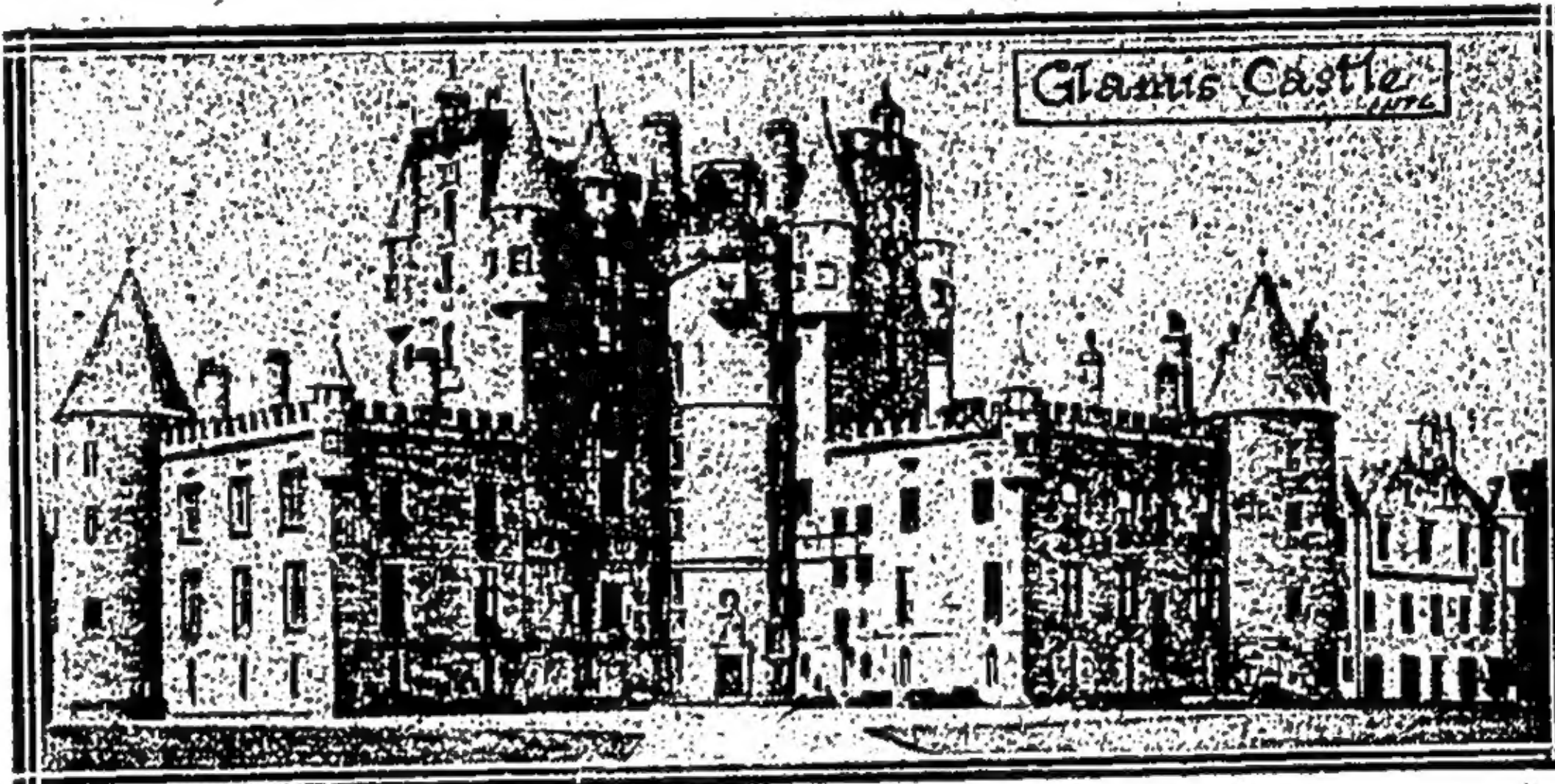
of Strathmore, his heir-apparent, and a person whom they might take into their confidence. In this chamber, one historian records, "Earl Beattie" still dresses his weird, having been condemned to play at cards until the day of doom.

The earliest reference to the family whose name has been associated for centuries with Glamis Castle is to the effect that one of the noble French Leonties came over to England with William the Conqueror. His son, Roger, accompanied King Edgar, son of Malcolm Canmore, to Scotland about 1091, and for his service against Donald Baine, the usurper, he obtained lands in Perthshire which he is said to have named Glen Lyon. From Roger was descended Sir John Lyon, who received from Robert I. a charter for the lands of Forteviot and Forcandenny, in Perthshire, and Carleton and Drumgowan, in Aberdeenshire. He had also from David II. a charter of the thanedom of Tannadyc, in Forfarshire, and the reversion of the thanedom of Glamis.

The change of Glamis possesses a literary interest from its imaginary connection with Macbeth. It seems to have been held by the Crown from the War of Independence till 1372, when Robert II. erected it into a barony, and granted it to John Lyon, who was the son of the Sir John Lyon already referred to and who, four years later, married the second daughter of the King, Princess Joan Stewart. A grandson, Sir Patrick Lyon, was created a peer, with the title of Lord Glamis, in 1445, and was one of the hostages

to the English for the ransom of James I. In the sixteenth century the then Lord Glamis, his mother, a kinsman, and an old priest were indicted for designs against the life of James V. by poisoning and withcraft. The Countess was condemned to the flames and suffered on the Castle Hill at Edinburgh. Lord Glamis was sentenced to be executed and his estates forfeited, but he was respited until his majority. Later the accused confessed that the whole story was a fabrication, and Lord Glamis was released and restored to his honours and estate. The eighth Lord Glamis, who was Chancellor of Scotland, was shot at Stirling in 1578 in a chance fray between his followers and those of the Earl of Crawford. In 1606 Patrick, the ninth lord, was created Earl of Kinghorne, and in 1677 Patrick, the third earl, obtained a charter providing that he and his heirs should be styled Earls of Strathmore and Kinghorne.

One of the tragic pages in the family's history relates to the eighteenth century. John, the fourth earl, had four pretty boys, and it was foretold at the time that all of them would succeed to the earldom. The prophecy came true. One was killed at the Battle of Sheriffmuir, the second son was killed in a brawl at Forfar, the third died in 1735, and the fourth in 1753. The ninth Earl of Strathmore married Mary Eleanor Bowes, heiress of over £1,000,000. Claud George Bowes-Lyon, the present Earl of Strathmore and Kinghorne, is the fourteenth holder of the title, to which he succeeded in 1904.



DUKE'S CAREER.

JUTLAND BATTLE SUB-LIEUTENANT.

The Duke of York—Prince Albert Frederick Arthur George—is the second son of the King and Queen, and was born on December 14, 1895. He is therefore in his twenty-eighth year.

Prince Albert was intended for the Navy, and in January, 1900, he entered Osborne. Four years later, having passed through the usual course, he embarked in H.M.S. "Cumberland," which left for a six months' cruise in the West Atlantic.

In September, 1914, a month after the outbreak of war, he underwent an operation for appendicitis. His slow recovery caused him great disappointment, for he was eager to resume his naval duties. He took part as a sub-lieutenant in the battle of Jutland.

The Duke was fascinated by the new science of warfare in the air. He undertook the regular cadet training for the Air Force. His ambition was realised when he crossed over to France by aeroplane in October, 1918, to be attached to the Independence Force of the Royal Air Force.

In October, 1919, he went up to Cambridge. There he made many friends and showed unmistakably that he had no intention of being anything but an "ordinary" undergraduate. On one occasion he was "frogged" for not being in academic dress, an offence for which he paid 6s. 8d.—with a smile—next morning.

In the Birthday Honours List in 1920 the King bestowed the historic Dukedom of York, which he had himself held, on his second son, who was appearing frequently in public engagements.

On many occasions the Duke has evinced a warm interest in the welfare of the workers, and in particular has devoted himself to forwarding the interests of all movements which help to bring young men together in a spirit of co-operation and good will irrespective of class. The Duke is a fine shot, motorist, and horseman, and is very fond of dancing.

THE BRIDE.

INTERESTING CHARACTER SKETCH.

Lady Elizabeth Bowes-Lyon is one of the most charming characters I have ever met wrote a friend recently in the Times. She was among the group of young girls who followed Princess Mary to the altar, and even then it was rumoured that she might, at a future date, stand in nearer relationship to the Royal bride. Every one who knows her well feels that she is eminently suited to the position she will be called on to fill.

Her life has been an extremely happy one although she suffered the loss of a much-loved brother in the war. She has been brought up on good old Scottish lines in the midst of an exceptionally devoted and united family. Her father, Lord Strathmore, and her youngest brother, David, are particularly devoted to her. She is in return deeply attached to her home and family, and is well known and loved on her father's estate. At the same time, she is well used to dispensing hospitality, for parties are always entertained all the autumn at Glamis Castle, and after the marriage of her elder sister, Lady Elizabeth, during her mother's illness, became the hostess of Glamis.

In appearance she is petite with a neat figure. Her dark hair is worn parted in the middle and with a fringe on the forehead. Her deep blue eyes are thickly fringed with black lashes. Her complexion is beautiful. She is possessed of "that most excellent thing," a low-toned, charming-speaking voice. She has little that is modern in her appearance, and yet she is always charmingly dressed, with a touch of the picturesque and of her own individuality in her clothes. But what stands out more vividly than these beauties of feature and colouring, is her particularly happy even radiant expression. It speaks of what all her friends know her to be possessed of—an unselfish nature, simple and affectionate; a mind and character incapable of unkindness of thought or action; a candid sincerity and an ingrained gentleness. These qualities form the basis of her personality. Her tastes are chiefly for an outdoor life. She rides and goes well to hounds. She is a keen lawn-tennis player, sharing this taste with her future husband. She is an exceptionally beautiful dancer, even in these days, when good dancers abound, and she has much fondness for reading and music.

SAYING THE WORD.

HOW HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS PROPOSED.

Behind the engagement of H.R.H. the Duke of York and Lady Elizabeth Bowes-Lyon lay an interesting love story. The happy couple, it seems, first met at a ball some three or four years ago, and a mutual attachment was formed which has ripened with closer acquaintance. Both are enthusiastic dancers, and they have met at many balls.

Recently the young couple have seen a good deal of each other; principally in London and at the Earl of Strathmore's Welwyn residence (Hertfordshire). The Duke was a visitor there last week-end, and it was on a Sunday night that the formal engagement was made.

It is stated that the Duke first proposed in 1920, and again in September last so that it was only the Duke's third proposal that was accepted.

"It is all so very recent and I am so very happy I do not quite know what to say," said the future Duchess of York when interviewed. Looking extremely pretty in a elaborate costume trimmed with fur, Lady Elizabeth was the picture of happiness.

"It is rather a rag," she said, "coming just after the reported engagement between myself and the Prince of Wales."

"The proposal was made just after tea on Sunday in the morning room. The engagement ring has not yet arrived, but I shrewdly suspect that it will be a sapphire and diamonds."

"It has not yet been decided when the marriage will take place. We are, however, going over to Sandringham shortly to discuss it there."

"I'm afraid it was all very prosaic," she added, "We had no wood or anything like that! The Duke proposed to me indoors on Sunday."

Asked whether her fiance's proposal came as a great surprise to her, she said:—"Well, yes, I suppose it always does, when the moment actually comes. I just thought for a minute, and then said, 'Yes.' I'm not sure that I wasn't the more surprised of the two."

ROYAL MARRIAGES.

WESTMINSTER ABBEY'S RECORD.

The choice of Westminster Abbey for the celebration of the marriage of the Duke of York with Lady Elizabeth Bowes-Lyon follows the precedent set in the marriage of Princess Mary with Viscount Lascelles in February, 1922. It may be that the precedent may become established, and that the venerable Abbey may in future be associated with the marriages of our Royal family. In the past, however, great as has been the part taken by the Abbey in national life and history, it had not witnessed for many centuries until the date of Princess Mary's marriage the espousals of the son or daughter of the reigning monarch. In the Abbey our Kings have been crowned, and there lies the dust of many of their number; but their marriages have taken place elsewhere. No son of the English Monarch has been married there since April, 1270—more than six and a half centuries ago—when Edmund, Earl of Lancaster, second son of Henry III., was espoused within its walls to the Lady Aveline de Fortibus, daughter and heiress of William, Earl of Albemarle.

Royal marriages in recent times have mostly been solemnised at St. George's Chapel, Windsor, in the private chapel at Buckingham Palace, or in the chapel of St. James's Palace. Queen Victoria was married to Prince Albert at St. James's. The wedding of King Edward VII. to Queen Alexandra took place in St. George's Chapel, and there also the Duke of Connaught, the late Duke of Albany, Princess Christian, Princess Louise (Duchess of Argyll), and the Duke of Connaught's late daughter, the Crown Princess of Sweden, were married. Our present King and Queen were married at the Chapel Royal, St. James's Palace, on July 6, 1893, and in the same chapel took place the wedding of Prince Arthur of Connaught and the Duchess of Fife. His Majesty's sister, the Princess Royal, was wedded to the late Duke of Fife in the private chapel of Buckingham Palace, and his youngest sister, the Queen of Norway, was married in the same place. The late Duke of Edinburgh's marriage with the only daughter of the Tsar Alexander II. was solemnised in Petrograd, while the late Princess Alice's bridal ceremony was at Osborne, and that of Princess Beatrice in Whippingham Church. As far as can be ascertained, there is no record since the marriage of Edmund Crouchback in 1270 of any member of the Royal family being married before the altar of Westminster Abbey until February, 1919, when the Duke of Connaught's daughter, the Princess Patricia, was there wedded to Commander the Hon. Alexander Ramsay, R.N.

EARL OF STRATHMORE.

AN ANCIENT SCOTTISH FAMILY.

The Earl of Strathmore traces his descent from Sir John Lyon of Forteviot, to whom Robert II. of Scotland granted the lands of the thanage of Glamis, in Forfarshire. Sir John's grandson was created Lord Glamis, and the ninth Lord Glamis became first Earl of Kinghorne, while the third Earl of Kinghorne, in 1677, obtained a charter providing that he and his heirs should be styled Earls of Strathmore and Kinghorne.

HIS TURN NEXT?



There is much speculation as to when the Prince of Wales, a prominent figure at to-day's ceremony, will follow his brother's example.

THEIR FIRST MEETING.

FRIENDS SINCE CHILDHOOD.

I had a long chat with the Earl of Strathmore at his Hertfordshire seat at St. Paul's Waldenbury (wrote a special representative of the Evening Standard shortly after the betrothal was announced). He told me the story of the long friendship of the Duke of York and Lady Elizabeth.

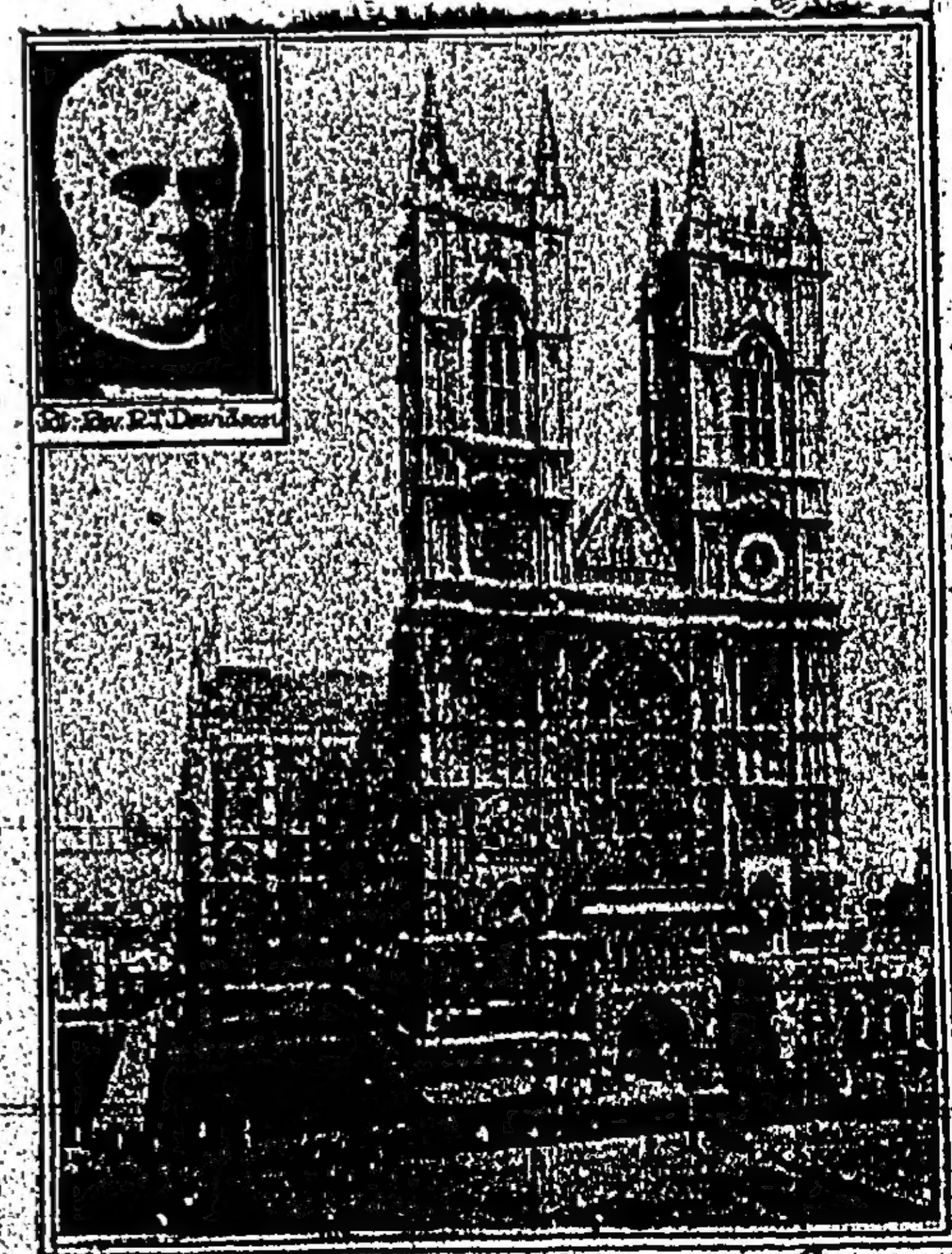
"They first met," the Earl said, "so far as I can remember, at a children's party many years ago, when Lady Elizabeth was a little girl of 5 or 6. The party was given by Lady Leicester, and the Prince was then a schoolboy. They have been friendly ever since, and have met frequently in town and country. The engagement did not take us altogether by surprise, as the friendship has ripened since the Prince was our guest at Glamis Castle."

"The Prince arrived here on Saturday morning last, but it was not until Sunday evening that the news of the proposal was broken. They were out together on Sunday, and it was after a walk that we learned about it. It is not true to say that the proposal was made while they were hunting. Lady Elizabeth hunts very, very little, and does not go out even with the Hertfordshire pack in this district."

"Her favourite sport, although she is by no means a keen sports-woman, is lawn tennis, and she has played many games with the Prince. They had one or two sets at Glamis Castle."

"During the week-end they naturally spoke a great deal about old times, and even spoke of the party at Lady Leicester's so many years ago."

THE ABBEY.



Where the Royal wedding takes place



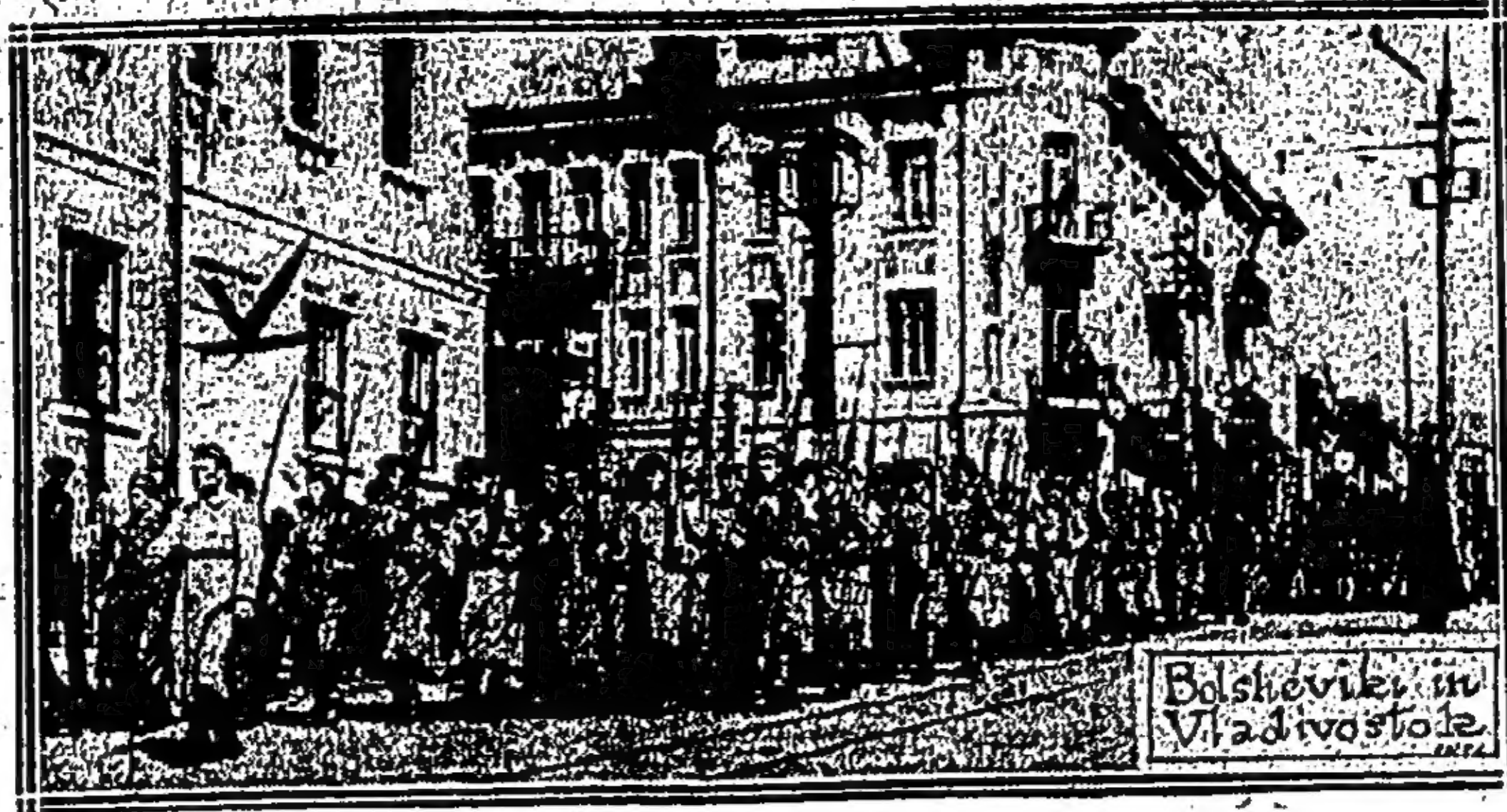
Shapron Sapir

Began life in an orphanage and worked his way through school and college. He became a lawyer. During the last few years, under his leadership, five great tobacco associations have been marketing two-thirds of the American tobacco crop.



Miss Jeanette Breazeale

Miss Jeanette Breazeale mysteriously disappeared from the Middlesex General Hospital where she was a student nurse. There is absolutely no trace of her, and no reason can be ascribed for her disappearance.



For the first time the Soviet troops are in control of Vladivostok, the Japanese having completely evacuated the city and its fortifications. This photograph shows the entry of the Reds into the city. They presented a smart, military appearance.



James D. Borland

Forty-five years ago he started an amateur newspaper. The forms were made up on the kitchen table and were later run off on a hand press. Now the paper is a daily, worth \$250,000.



King Tutankamen's Scarab

King Tutankamen's scarab was given to one of his favourites, in whose tomb it was found years ago. The scarab, or signet of the Pharaoh, gives in hieroglyphics, the story of the changes in Tutankamen's religious beliefs. Each time he changed his religion he changed his name.



Lady Jean Ogilvie Grant

Lady Jean Ogilvie Grant daughter of the Earl of Sheffield, is winning fame as a writer of fairy tales.



Mrs. Neval Kelliher

Mrs. Kelliher was the subject of a quarrel in a restaurant between her husband and a man named McCarthy. Words led to blows and Mr. Kelliher was shot dead before scores of horrified diners.



Harry Thaw

Harry Thaw, who killed Stanford White, on Madison Square Garden roof, in New York City. He has been temporarily released from the Pennsylvania, in order that he may pay a ten-day visit to his mother, in Pittsburgh. He will be escorted by a keeper.



Mr. & Mrs. Cyrus E. Woods & A. P. Moore

Cyrus E. Woods, American Ambassador to Spain, has been transferred to the more important post of Ambassador to Japan. He will be succeeded in Spain by Alexander P. Moore.



American Delegation to Chile

The American delegation attending the Pan-American Conference at Santiago, which is seeking to limit armaments. The Conference has been mentioned several times in this week's cables.



Queen Mary

An interesting study of Queen Mary, with a little blind girl she visited in the National Library for the Blind, at Westminster. The Queen had a long talk with Miss Pavens, winner of a prize for reading aloud from Braille.

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of Victoria after 9 p.m., an extra half
fare shall be chargeable.

For 2 or 3 drivers the fare is double or
treble respectively.

II.—In the Hill District.

Ten minutes..... 15 cents
Quarter hour..... 20
Half hour..... 30
One hour..... 40
Every subsequent hour..... 40

III.—In the New Territories.

By arrangement with the proprietors
through the Police.

CHAIRES.

I.—Lower Levels.
With 4 Beavers With 4 Beavers.

Ten minutes..... 10 cents
Quarter hour..... 15
Half hour..... 20
One hour..... 30
Every subsequent hour..... 30

II.—Hill District.
With 4 Beavers With 4 Beavers.

Ten minutes..... 15 cents
Quarter hour..... 20
Half hour..... 30
One hour..... 40
Every subsequent hour..... 40

Take Care of Yourself.

If you want a clear head and good
digestion you must not let your bowels
become clogged with poisonous waste
from the body, as is always the case
when you become constipated. Proper
food, an abundance of water and plenty
of outdoor exercise should be your
bowels regular. When that fails you
should take Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera
and Diarrhoea Remedy. It is a gentle
and safe remedy for the movement of the
bowels and is very pleasant to take.
For sale by all Chemists and
Storekeepers.

WEATHER REPORT.

Apr. 26d. 11h. 25m.—Pressure
has increased considerably over
central and S.W. Japan, moderately
over the Loochops and slightly
at Hongkong.

The anticyclone has spread east-
ward. It now extends to central
Japan.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours
ending at 10 a.m. today, 0.00 inch.
Total since January 1st, 9.58 inches
against an average of 10.70 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at
noon on April 27, 1923.

1.—Variable Clouds, N.E. winds
strong.

2.—South coast of China between
Hongkong and Lamook. N.E. winds
fresh; overcast.

3.—Hongkong to Gap Rock. N.E.
winds, fresh; overcast.

4.—South coast of China between
Hongkong and Hainan. N.E. winds,
fresh; overcast.

ROYAL OBSERVATORY,
HONGKONG.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

APRIL 26, 1923.—a.m.

Station	Hour	Wind				
		Barometer at Sea Level	Temperature	Humidity	Direction	Force
Victoria Peak	6 a.m.	30.04	77	88	E	3
Namoo	6 a.	30.04	77	88	E	3
Island	6 a.	30.02	77	88	E	3
Tokio	6 a.	30.15	77	88	NW	1
Kochi	6 a.	30.21	77	88	NW	1
Nagasaki	6 a.	30.18	77	88	NW	1
Kobe	6 a.	30.16	77	88	NW	1
Osaka	6 a.	30.14	77	88	NW	1
Naha	6 a.	30.03	77	88	NW	2
Yokohama	6 a.	30.02	77	88	NW	2
Ryukyu Island	6 a.	30.10	77	88	SSE	2
Wellington	6 a.	30.10	77	88	SSE	2
Manila	6 a.	30.10	77	88	SSE	2
Shanghai	6 a.	30.25	77	88	NW	1
Amoy	6 a.	30.25	77	88	NW	1
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